

Supporting Information for

Directional Electromagnetic Interference Shielding Based on Step-Wise Asymmetric Conductive Networks

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Supplementary Figures and Table

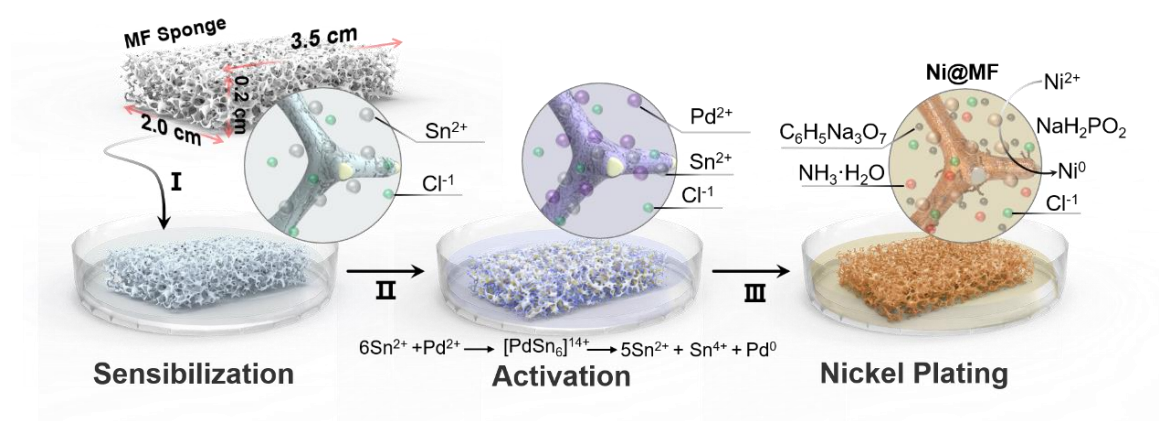


Fig. S1 Schematic diagram for the syntheses of Ni@MF

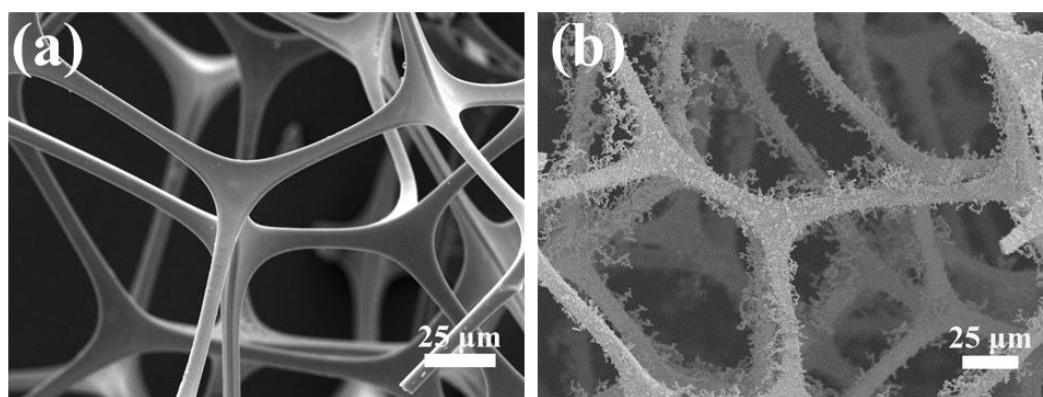


Fig. S2 SEM images of (a) pure MF and (b) Ni@MF-5

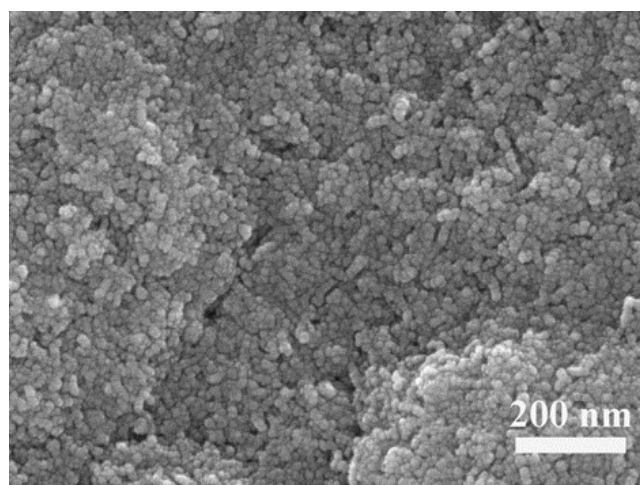


Fig. S3 SEM image of Ni@MF-5 at high magnification

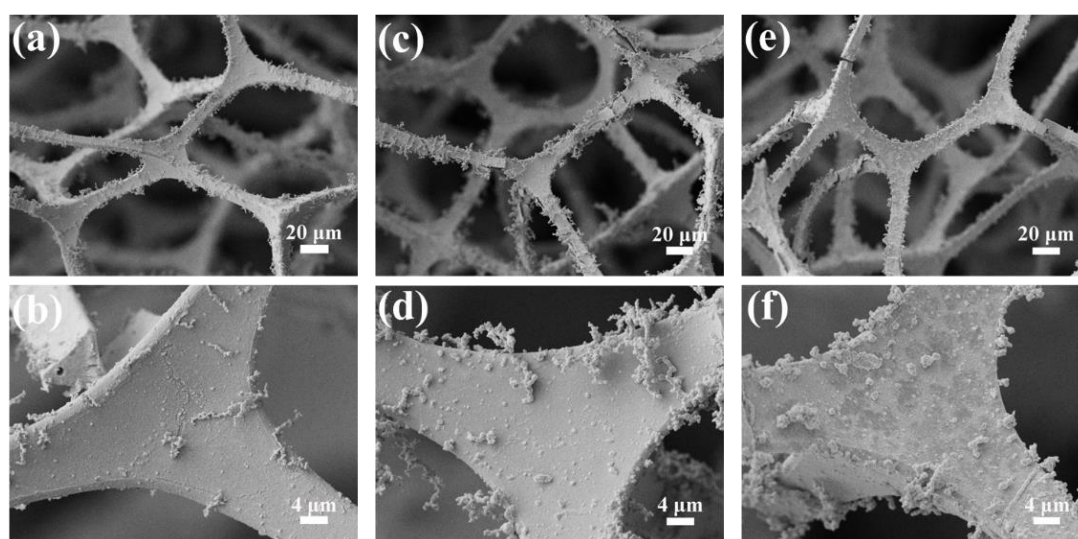


Fig. S4 SEM images of Ni@MF with different plating time. SEM images of (a and b) Ni@MF-1, (c and d) Ni@MF-2, and (e and f) Ni@MF-3

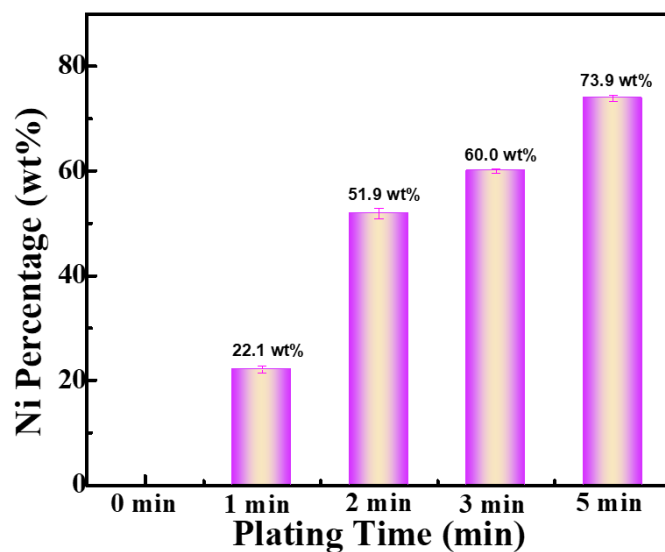


Fig. S5 Ni percentage in Ni@MF as a function of plating time

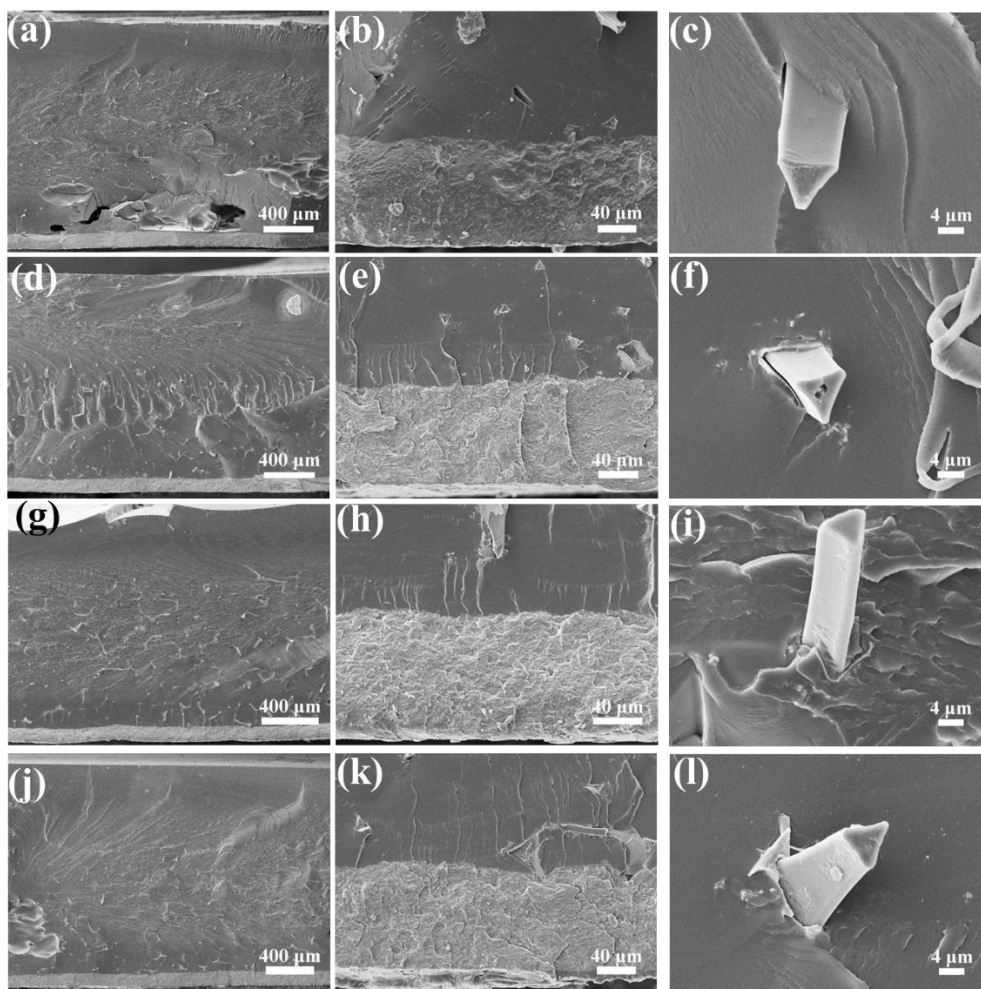


Fig. S6 SEM images of Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites with different Ni-plating time. SEM images of (a-c) MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites, (d-f) Ni@MF-1/CNT-75/PBAT composites, (g-i) Ni@MF-2/CNT-75/PBAT composites, and (j-l) Ni@MF-3/CNT-75/PBAT composites

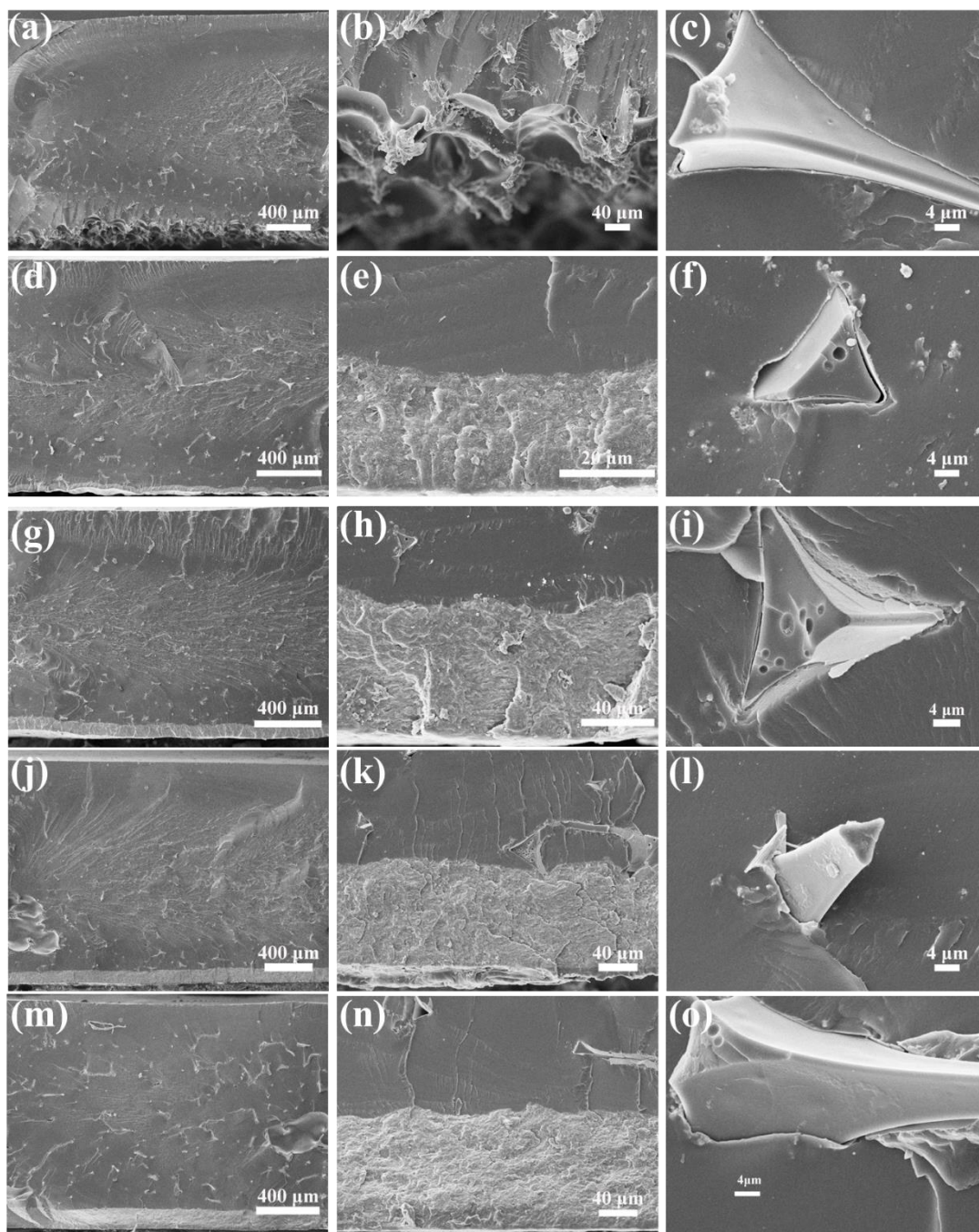


Fig. S7 SEM images of Ni@MF-3/CNT/PBAT composites with different CNT thickness. SEM images of (a-c) Ni@MF-3/PBAT composites, (d-f) Ni@MF-3/CNT-25/PBAT composites, (g-i) Ni@MF-3/CNT-50/PBAT composites, (j-l) Ni@MF-3/CNT-75/PBAT composites, and (m-o) Ni@MF-3/CNT-100/PBAT composites

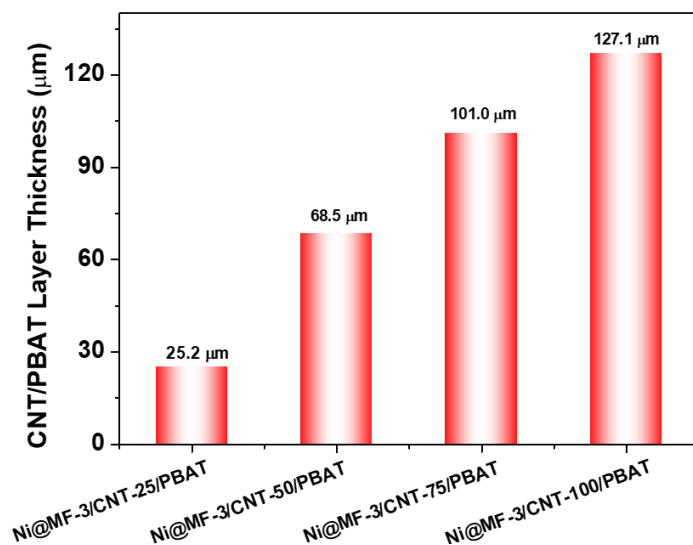


Fig. S8 The thickness of CNT/PBAT layer in Ni@MF-3/CNT/PBAT composites with different CNT paper thickness

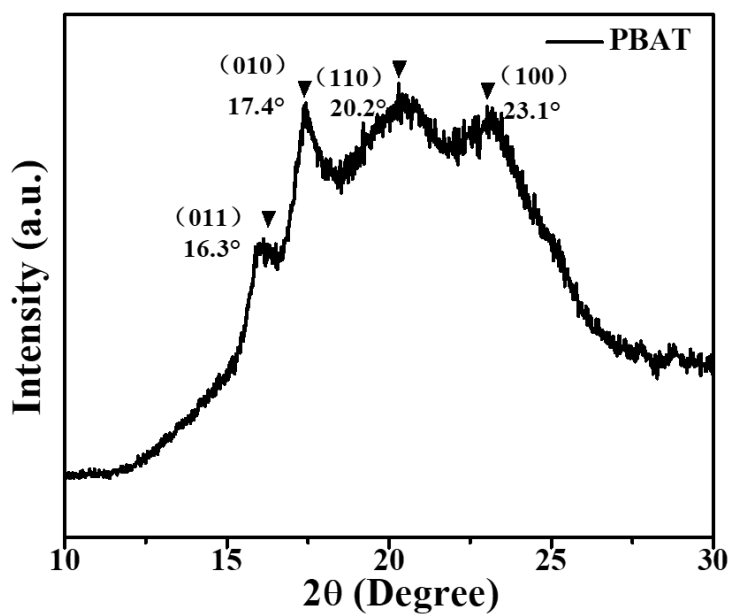


Fig. S9 The magnified XRD pattern of PBAT in 10-30°

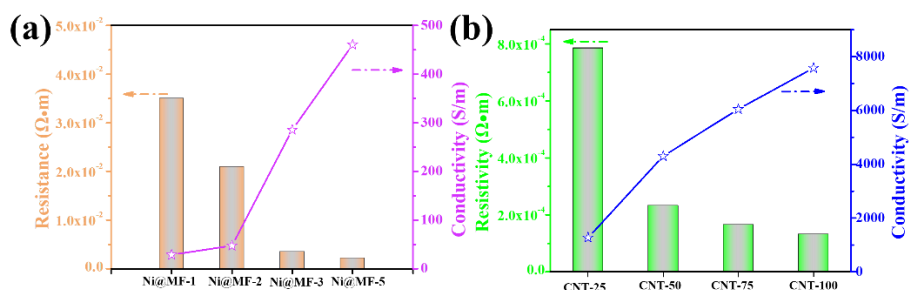


Fig. S10 Resistance and conductivity of (a) Ni@MF with different plating time and (b) CNT papers with various thickness

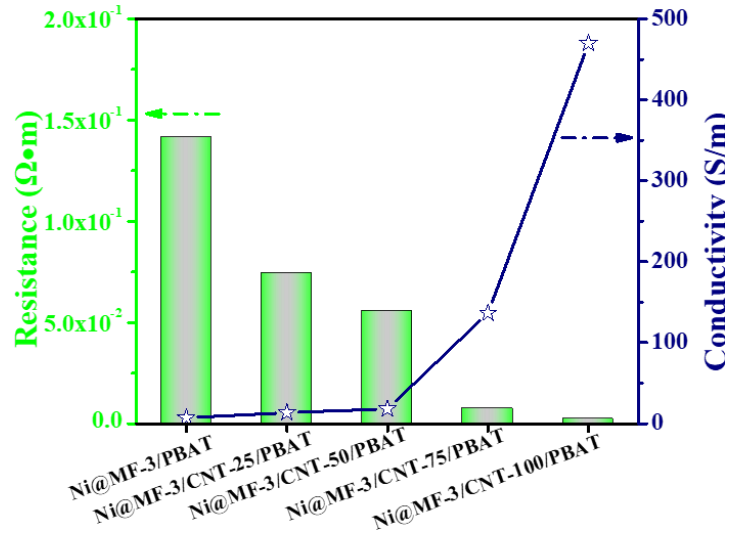


Fig. S11 Bottom surface resistance and conductivity of Ni@MF/CNT/PBAT composites

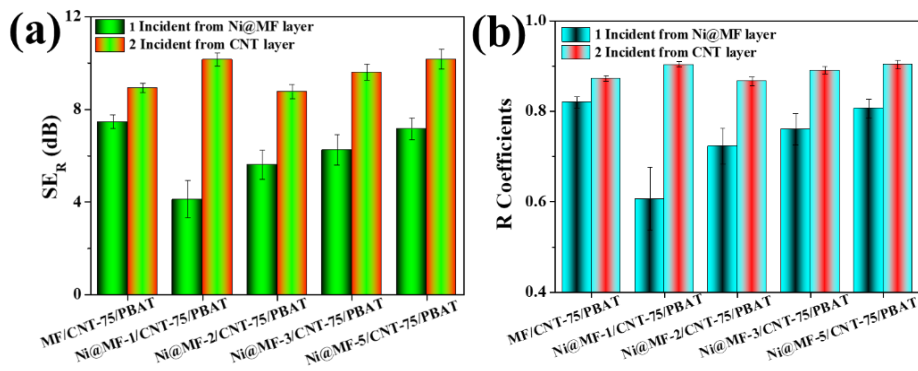


Fig. S12 The average (a) SE_R and (b) R coefficients of Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites at different incident directions

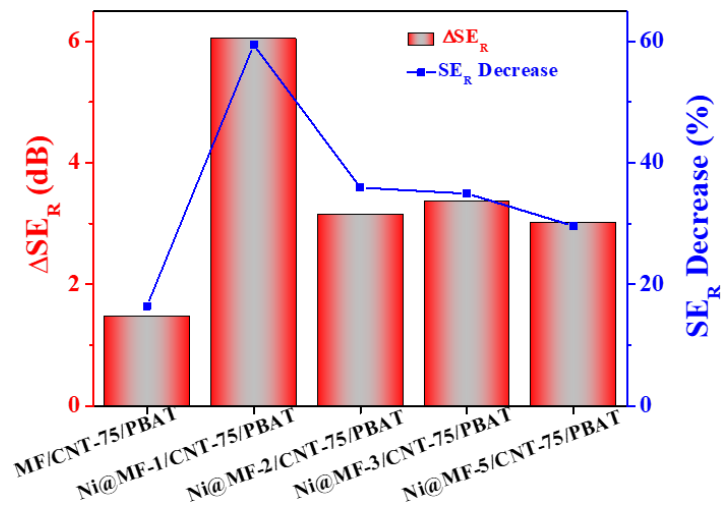


Fig. S13 ΔSE_R and SE_R enhancement of Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites at different incident directions

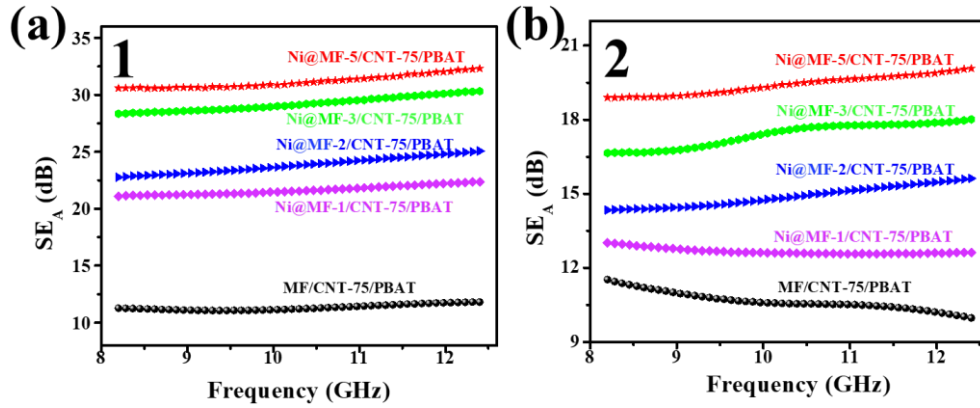


Fig. S14 EMI SE_A in X-band for Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites, when the EM wave is incident form (a) Ni@MF layer and (b) CNT layer

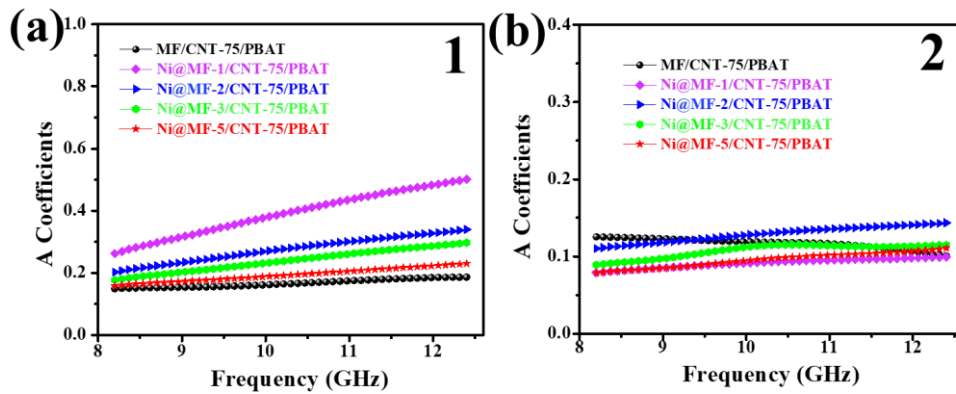


Fig. S15 A coefficients in X-band for Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites, when the EM wave is incident form (a) Ni@MF layer and (b) CNT layer

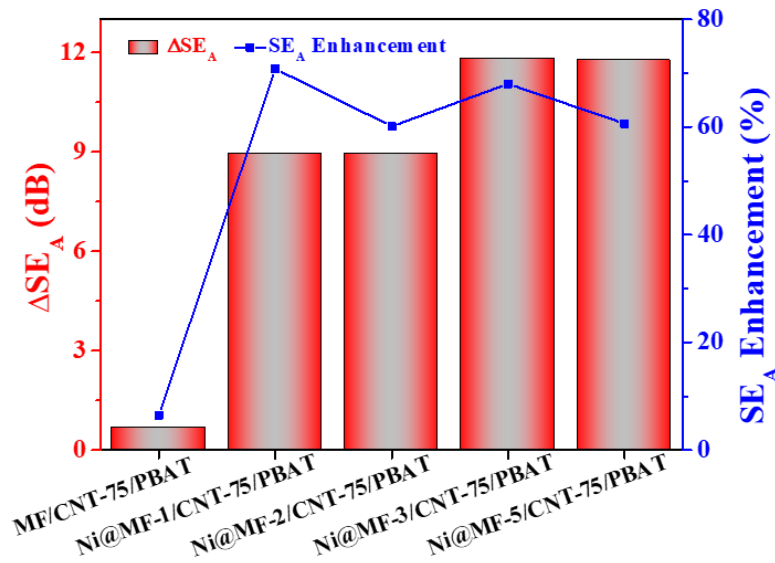


Fig. S16 ΔSE_A and SE_A enhancement of Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites at different incident directions

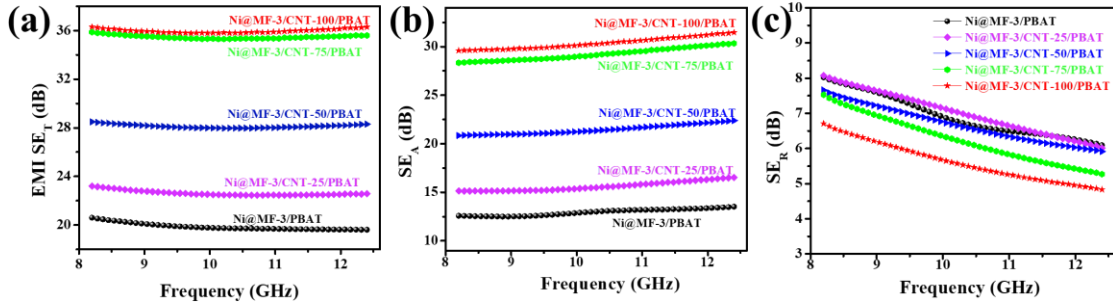


Fig. S17 (a) EMI SE_T , (b) SE_A , and (c) SE_R in X-band for Ni@MF-3/CNT/PBAT composites, when the EM wave is incident from Ni@MF layer

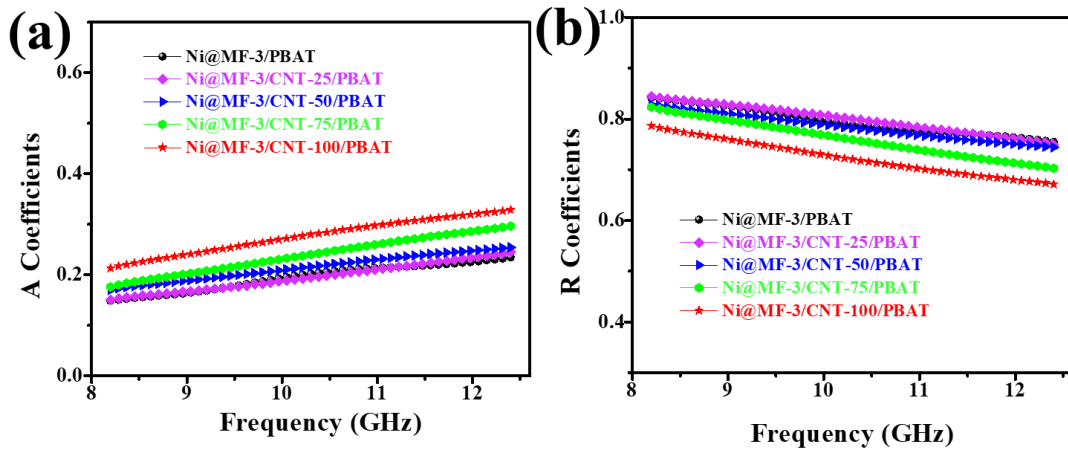


Fig. S18 (a) A coefficients and (b) R coefficients in X-band for Ni@MF-3/CNT/PBAT composites, when the EM wave is incident from Ni@MF layer

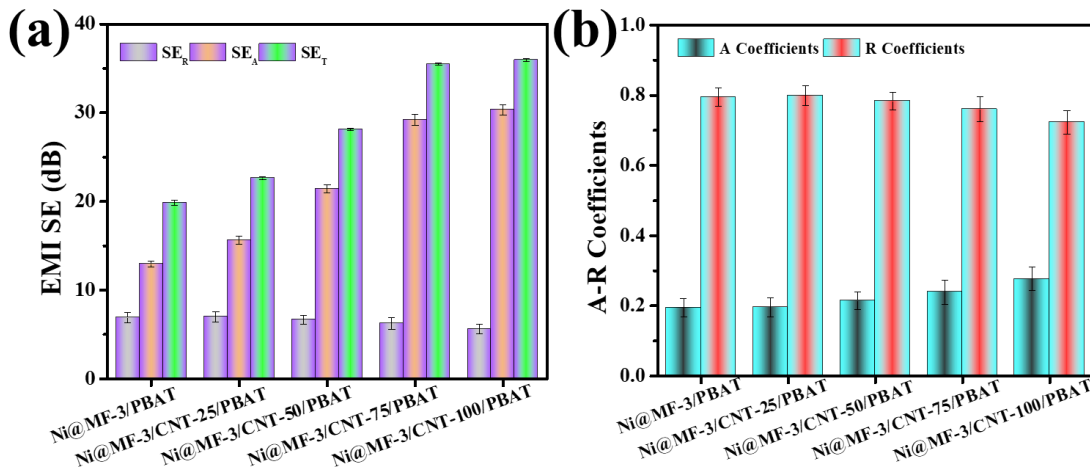


Fig. S19 (a) The average SE_T , SE_A , and SE_R , and (b) average A-R coefficient of Ni@MF-3/CNT/PBAT composites with the incident EM wave from Ni@MF layer

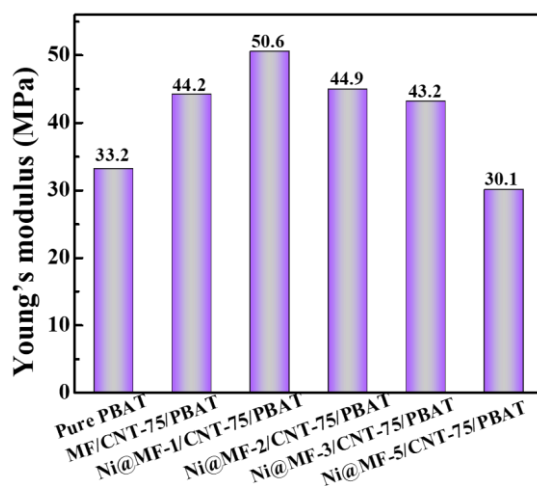


Fig. S20 The Young's modulus of pure PBAT and step-wise asymmetric Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites with different Ni plating time

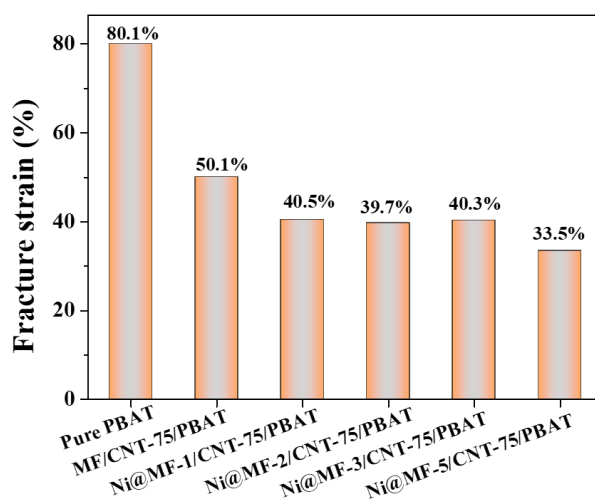


Fig. S21 The fracture strain of pure PBAT and step-wise asymmetric Ni@MF/CNT-75/PBAT composites with different Ni plating time

Table S1 Atomic percentages of pure MF and Ni@MF-5

Sample	Elemental content (at%)			
	C 1s	O 1s	N 1s	Ni 2p
Pure MF	66.3	14.6	19.1	-
Ni@MF-5	53.3	13.3	17.4	15.6

Movie S1 Practical application for directional EMI shielding